

HOUSE BILL 816:

Study Biomanufacturing/Nutrient Allocation.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: House Regulatory Reform. If favorable, re- Date: May 1, 2019

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House

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Analysis of: Second Edition Committee Staff

OVERVIEW: The Proposed Committee Substitute to House Bill 816 would establish the Joint Select Committee on Biomanufacturing to study how to keep North Carolina at the forefront of emerging biomanufacturing technologies and job creation. The PCS would also direct the Environmental Management Commission to modify the Nonpoint Source Allocation Purchase Rule.

The PCS adds a \$10,000 nonrecurring appropriation for the 2019-20 fiscal year to support the work of the Joint Select Committee on Biomanufacturing.

BILL ANALYSIS:

<u>Section 1</u> would establish the Joint Select Committee on Biomanufacturing (Committee) to study what is needed to keep North Carolina at the forefront of emerging biomanufacturing technologies and job creation, including examination of biomanufacturing's workforce, water, wastewater, educational, and training needs; identification of locations that can accommodate new biomanufacturing operations, and identification of wastewater treatment strategies and technologies that can be used to meet the State's biomanufacturing wastewater treatment needs. The Committee would be directed to make a final report to the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly and would expire at the earlier of the convening of the 2021 Regular Session or the filing of its final report.

The Committee would be made up of members of the General Assembly, individuals recommended by the North Carolina Biotechnology Center, the North Carolina Biosciences Organization, the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality, the Secretary of Commerce, the North Carolina Economic Development Association, the North Carolina Manufacturers Alliance, the President of The University of North Carolina, and the North Carolina Community College System. The chair of the NCWorks Commission would also be an ex officio member.

\$10,000 in nonrecurring funds for the 2019-20 fiscal year would be allocated to be used in supporting the work of the Committee.

<u>Section 2</u> would direct the Environmental Management Commission to modify the Nonpoint Source Allocation Purchase Rule.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 1 of this act would become effective July 1, 2019. Section 2 would become effective when it becomes law.

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